



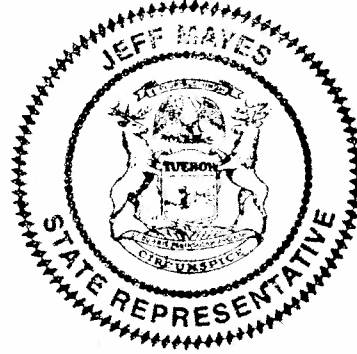
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Representative Steve Bieda
Tax Policy Committee Chairman
Michigan House of Representatives
P.O. Box 30014
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Dear Tax Policy Committee Members,

On behalf of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, I urge you to support enactment of Substitute House Bill No. 5459.

This single, independent bill will allow for redevelopment of a significant parcel of commercial property located in the central city of Bay City.

With the approval of this legislation, commercial rehabilitation would include new construction on vacant property on which a previous structure has been demolished and commercial property will be newly constructed. This legislation assures that such rehabilitation would be an economic benefit to the local community as determined by the qualified local governmental community.

Again, on behalf of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, we respectfully request your support for passage of "Substitute for House Bill No. 5459".

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Seward".

Michael D. Seward, CCE
President & CEO